

# Accepting Cardboard July 1

## The City of Germantown will accept cardboard in the curbside recycling program

### How it works

**Step 1:** Empty boxes of all contents and remove plastic wrap

**Step 2:** Flatten smaller boxes

**Step 3:** Tear or cut to reduce boxes to 24 inches or less wide and 36 inches or less long. Do not fold boxes.

**Step 4:** Place cardboard in recycling bin with other recyclables  
OR stack cardboard at the curb and place recycling bin on top to keep the material in place on collection day

#### Acceptable Cardboard

- Corrugated cardboard commonly used for moving and shipping boxes, is light brown in color with two rigid outer layers and a wavy or fluted inner layer
- Paperboard cardboard is commonly used for cereal boxes, shoe boxes, gift boxes, medicine boxes, paper cups, etc.

#### Unacceptable Cardboard

- Pizza delivery boxes
- Milk cartons
- Wet boxes
- Boxes not flattened, empty, or cut to size

***Improperly prepared cardboard will not be collected by recycling crews***

Newspapers, office paper, junk mail and magazines are acceptable in the recycle bin. Place these items in a paper bag inside the bin for collection.

**For more information, call 757-7263**